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It is also closed season for German ambassadors at Moscow.

It is hard for the small boy to work up much excitement over the castor oil shortage.

It is not easy to obscure Memphis. That city is now rated the "dope" metropolis of the south.

Even the Kaiser's shock troops fall to shock the Americans when the latter begin a forward rush.

There are not only Americans in France but an actual American army, with apologies to Col. Harvey.

With watermelons listed among the profiteers, the war for democracy takes on a very personal aspect.

Just as like as not the allies will pay no attention to the old Hindenburg line when they get to it.

Even in the Massachusetts constitutional convention they sometimes "throw up" socialism to each other.

The man who sank the Lusitania seems also to have been sunk without trace. As ye sow, so shall ye reap.

The prevailing exodus from Russia seems to accord with the legend that distance lends enchantment to the view.

Shooting of sixty-four Austrian deserters may help to relieve the commissary situation in the dual monarchy.

Argentina is a food growing country. The balance of trade in favor of that country last year was nearly \$170,000,000.

Even if the bolsheviks have had their day, they do not seem far in advance of the princes—crown princes and others.

It remains to be seen whether the war generated by visiting U-boats is more deadly than the well-known congressional brand.

Gen. Korniloff has not been killed for several weeks now. Looks as though he is overlooking some fine opportunities.

"There's a lighthouse by the sea" and the U-boat seems to wait for this. Some defenseless object evidently is sought by the Hun.

It was almost inevitable that Berlin would not agree with Lloyd George respecting the number of submarines sunk or destroyed.

It is noted that Italy and Uruguay have entered into one of those "impractical" arbitration treaties originated by Mr. Bryan.

The Louisville Post thinks a short ballot preferable to compulsory voting, but it doesn't indicate just how short it ought to be made.

Germans told that the United States blocks peace—Headline. Well, Uncle Sam blocked the road to Paris alright if that is what is meant.

Somebody has just dropped another hint that the coal situation next winter will be more dependent on transportation than on production.

German newspapers are said to be demanding that the truth be made known. Truth, however, is now being dealt out in very sparing quantities.

It is all right for you to use wood instead of coal for next winter's fuel, but it may not be safe to wait until winter to decide which you want.

It has not yet been determined whether we shall have a world series in this country this fall, but there is one already in progress in France.

Great Britain apparently takes seriously the war for democracy. A scheme leading eventually to popular government is being worked out for India.

The Knoxville city board of education has changed its minds and will employ married women in the schools. There's work enough and glory enough for all just now.

It is pointed out by an exchange that the prediction that liberty bonds would go above par has been realized already in the case of the first issue of 3-1-2 per cents. It seems a paradox that these bonds should sell above the 4-1-4 per cents, but they do. This is on account of the non-taxable feature. The other issues are practically non-taxable in moderate amounts, but the first is entirely so.

TEST OF GERMAN STAFF.

Now is tested the boasted strategy of the German general staff. For the fourth time a serious defeat has been experienced, the last two taking the form of military disasters. After the recovery of nine hundred square miles between the Alsace and the Marne the allies have beaten the foe back from his Amlens front until Peronne, Bapaume and Noyon will not likely be held by him much longer.

The outstanding news today is that the armies of the crown prince Rupprecht are fighting desperately in their old 1917 trenches in an effort to stem the allied advance. They had held the British at Lihons and north of the Somme, but the capture of Bray will no doubt start their northern lines in retreat, too.

What is going to be the effect of these defeats in Germany? Do they indicate such a shortage of man power at the front as to place the enemy permanently on the defensive? These are questions which time alone will answer.

We are now watching the Russian situation with increasing interest. A multitude of rumors come out of the east every day. We do not know much about Russia. It seems certain, however, that if the bolsheviks are not down and out they are very shaky in their control. The likelihood is that many more divisions of the German army will have to be sent into Russia before this thing is over. Every man used on the east weakens the new western front that much.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

We have frequently had occasion to remark upon the labyrinth of boards and commissions which have to do with the government of Tennessee. We don't pretend to know how many there are, even. We have had a purpose to compile or secure a list for publication along with the amounts, individual and aggregate, which they are costing the taxpayers of the state, with a view to offering suggestions for eliminations and curtailments. But it has seemed an imposition to ask any of the clerical officials of the state to go through the records, cull out and collect the items for us. There are so many, however, as almost to be in each other's way.

But Tennessee is not the only pebble on the beach. Other states have their afflictions. Boards and commissions make jobs and jobs are relished by all sorts of men. The Massachusetts constitutional convention has been working on the departments ruled by boards and commissions. An effort was made to reduce the number of these departments to fifteen. Failing in this, energies were centered on making the number twenty, with some promise of success. When it is recalled that there are 101 of these boards or departments it is realized what a radical reform is involved in cutting the number to twenty.

A NEW ENGLAND IDEA

It humbles our pride to take lessons from the Yankees. We do not like to consider the south as even being in the same class as decadent New England. Notwithstanding its pretensions, we scoff at that section's alleged ingenuity. But we sometimes have to shell down the corn. The following item from the Springfield Republican discloses an instance in which we confess ourselves beaten:

"An attractive-looking woman, garbed in a bathing suit, was noticed yesterday sitting in the water of that portion of Saxton's river which passes through the Basin farm at Bellows Falls and industriously knitting. This is the most striking combination of personal comfort and patriotic duty thus far recorded."

We're no great shakes on beauty but we've been trying to be patriotic notwithstanding the torrid temperature, when lo, here is attractiveness, patriotism and comfort combined as a simple matter of course. The blasted Yankees have our goat. We pass up the bakery.

The task for the railway and light company is to convince the public that the increased revenues from a six-cent fare are sure to go into improved service and into better wages for employees. Unquestionably these public utilities are suffering from the reduced buying value of money. The nickel which they have been charging for thirty years is a coin worth now about what our old 3-cent piece was worth. The service is poor and the public dissatisfied. Now it would seem the proper thing for a corporation like this, public in character, is to take everybody into its full confidence. To starve such a corporation for previous errors would be bad policy on the community's part. If the company can make a good case for an increased fare, and is able to give the right sort of guarantees as to service and wages then it should receive due consideration. All lines of business are in process of economic readjustment. It must come or failure will be recorded.

One of the leading New York suffragists, speaking of the recent outbreak of the national woman's party at Washington, said: "They have again brought the cause of woman's suffrage into disrepute without gaining by their tactics a single practical advantage. Their methods must, therefore, be characterized as foolish and futile, lacking in the dignity with which American women should seek their rights and despicably lacking in proper respect due to the president of the United States."

So the demonstration is regarded by the advocates of suffrage the country over.

TODAY'S PRIMARIES.

Whether or not we consider politics adjourned, primary elections are today holding the center of the stage of public interest. The results of the contests in three states—Ohio, Alabama and Mississippi—are being eagerly awaited. War issues have been sharply injected into the fights in the two southern states, while prohibition, national and state, is one of the bones of contention in Ohio. Ratification of the proposed amendment is also being fought over in Alabama.

No senatorship is at stake in Ohio. Gov. Cox, democrat, is a candidate for re-election without opposition in his own party. Ex-Gov. Willis seeks the republican nomination again on a platform favoring state and national prohibition. He has two opponents, but is considered a certain winner. A unique feature of the situation is the fact that Cox and Willis have each defeated and been defeated by the other for the office which both now seek. The outcome of their third contest will therefore be invested with a peculiar interest.

In Mississippi Senator Vardaman is making a strenuous fight for re-election and is opposed by Congressman Pat Harrison and Ex-Gov. E. F. Noel. The loyalty issue is to the fore since the senator is regarded as an opponent of some features of the war program and the president has made his administration an issue before the people. In Alabama a senator is also to be nominated. The war issue, however, has not arisen between Senator Bankhead and his opponent, Hon. Frank White. Indications point to the success of Bankhead.

The question of supporting the administration has, however, become paramount in the nomination of a congressman for the Birmingham district. On this score a hot fight is being made upon Congressman George Huddleston by two or three opponents. Ratification is the issue in the nomination of candidates for governor and the legislature. Lieut.-Gov. Thomas E. Kilby is leading the ratificationists for governor, opposed by four other candidates.

With such a large number of candidates, the Alabama "wets" hardly hope for the nomination of either in the first primary, but apparently think they might have a better show in case a run-off shall become necessary.

With 200,000 fewer male laborers on the land than before the war, England and Wales have planted 33 per cent. more land to crops this year than in 1913. The crop of wheat will be 100,000,000 bushels. About 8,000 tractors were used in cultivating the crop. It is estimated that the United Kingdom will be able to feed itself for forty weeks and will have to import food for only twelve weeks. France also has accomplished wonders in agriculture. Its wheat area this year is 11,920,000 acres, or 1,528,000 acres more than last year. France will raise 275,000,000 bushels of wheat, and will be self-supporting.

Most of the new material for the armies, under the proposed new registration, will be from the younger men. The new draft legislation will contain authority for the president to extend deferred classification to class 1 for men from 15 to 19 years of age. No doubt the president will protect the younger men in securing an education as long as possible. Not a very large number of men will be obtained out of the men between 31 and 45. It is estimated that not over a million of these will be available of some six million who will register. The marriage relation will act automatically as a deferred classification, and professional and other persons not engaged in producing material war supplies, will not come under the "work or fight" regulations, according to the indications Secretary Baker has given.

Mr. Kitchin's new plans for war taxes tentatively adopted by the ways and means committee include, first, an exemption of \$2,000 plus 10 per cent. on the amount of investment and then a 30 per cent. tax on the income between the exemption amount and 20 per cent. on the net income between 20 and 25 per cent. and 30 per cent. on all income above 25 per cent.

Corporations with large incomes that have not been reached by this war are reached by this law, but would escape a straight war profits tax.

If the Finns expect this country to assist in relieving their famine, they should cut out once and for all time that nauseating talk of taking a king from among the Hohenzollerns.

In connection with the demand that the government take over the packing industry, some one suggests that it requires considerable industry for the government to "pack" the load it is already carrying.

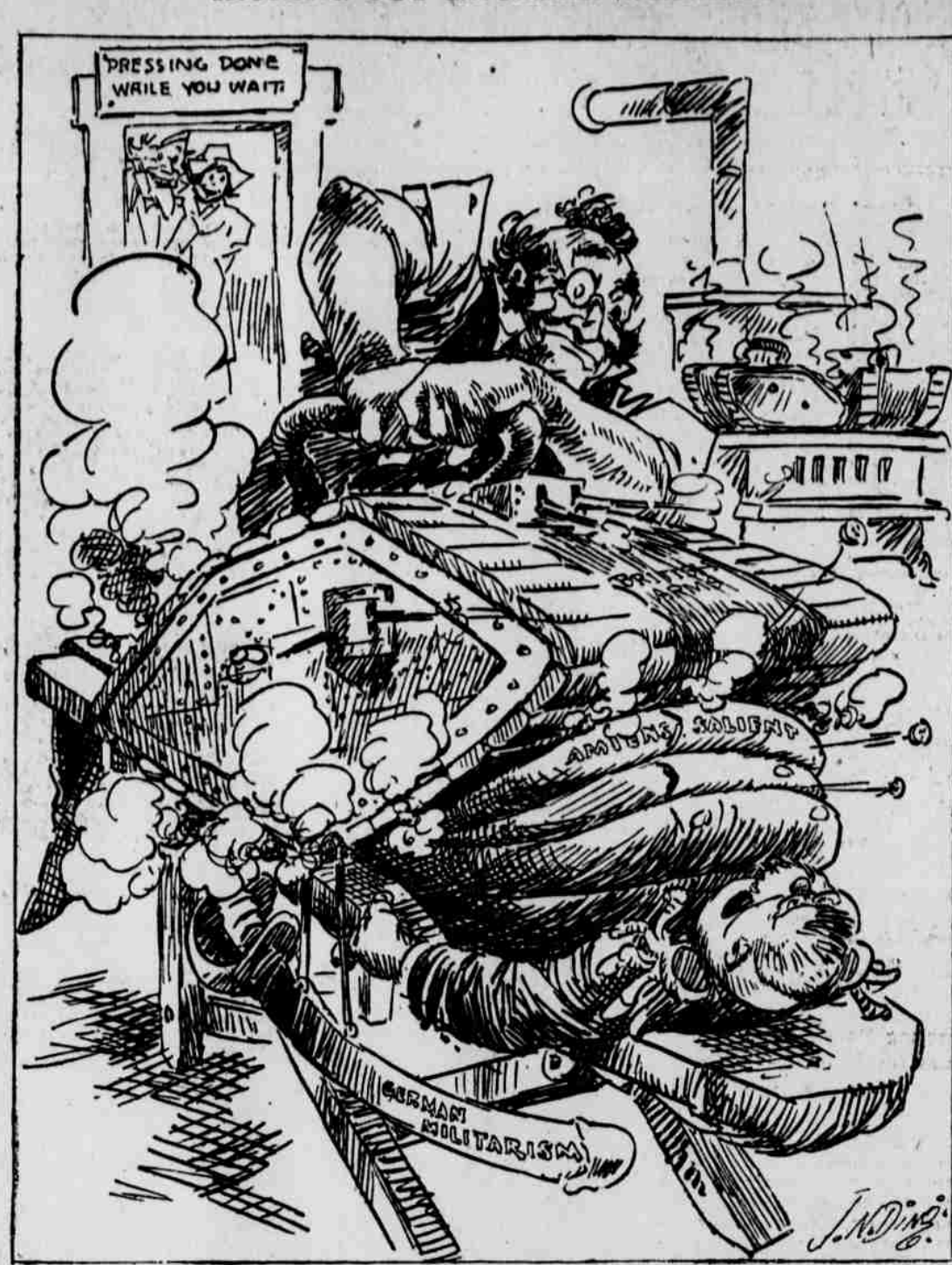
An item from an exchange declares that a sow and litter of pigs will purchase a home in Sweden. At that Sweden has nothing much on this country.

An organization in New York is sending out literature in which those who hope for victory and peace before many months are accused of being influenced by German propaganda. It was not stated whether Lloyd George was included.

Remarks the Jacksonville Times-Union: "Every man of fixed good habits has a capital that cannot be taken from him." It would have to be fastened with a padlock in some instances, however.

There was some inclination to smile at the story that D'Annunzio had been scattering leaflets instead of bombs over Vienna, but there was evidently method in the madness. The authorities in the Austrian capital seem to

"IRONING OUT ANOTHER WRINKLE"



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have been worse panic-stricken than if real bombs had been used.

It is said that ex-Congressman McGillicuddy, of Maine, has a chance to get his old seat back this year. Seems, however, that the chance would be better if in the meantime he had adopted a name which his constituents could speak without losing their breath.

Unless some method can be devised for relieving the sulphur shortage, there may have to be a change in plans for the punishment of some of the war miscreants.

ROADS ENCUMBERED WITH GERMAN WAGON TRAINS

Enemy Moving Out Stores East of Roye and Chaulnes. Lull Reigns.

With the French Army in France, Monday, Aug. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—Difficulty in bringing up artillery ammunition over battered roads brought a comparative lull on the French sector today. Infantry activity was confined to local engagements. The German guns have been more active with shells of all calibers and with gas. The enemy is now reinforcing his old line which he held from 1914 to 1917 and it will require heavier armament to batter a way through. The Germans have attempted several counter attacks but they were without marked vigor and gained no success. Aviators continue to play an important part in harassing the enemy behind his front line. They are obstructing the movement of convoys of ammunition and supplies he had gathered in that region.

Temporary Expedient. It is believed that the stand the Germans are preparing to make in their old trenches is likely to prove only a temporary expedient to obtain time in which to move back the immense stores of food and to organize retirement of the artillery and infantry.

There is great activity within the German lines east of Roye and Chaulnes. All the roads are encumbered with wagon trains indicating that the enemy is still moving out the ammunition and supplies he had gathered in that region.

E. T. S. S. ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN KNOXVILLE

Will Hold Three Days' Session, Commencing Aug. 5—G. R. Brown to Be Present.

(Special to The News.) Knoxville, Aug. 12.—An East Tennessee Institute of the Tennessee Sunday School association will convene here next Tuesday for a three days' session. Rev. W. A. Provine, D. D., superintendent of Sunday school work in the south and southeast for the Presbyterian church, U. S. A., and Rev. E. W. Halpern, international field secretary, will be among prominent speakers. Representatives of counties scheduled to make reports of the year's work include: Carter county, J. F. Seiler; Sullivan, W. H. Farthing; Greene, W. A. Hull; Cocke, C. A. Robinson; Knox, L. T. McSpadden; Loudon, J. E. Hammon; Morgan, J. D. Burton; Bradley, J. T. Huffine; Washington, S. S. McCornick; Hawkins, Dr. R. D. Keller; Hamilton, W. F. Silvers; Sevier, J. B. Blount; Blount, G. M. Marshall; Roane, J. H. Reynolds; Monroe, F. A. Carter; James, Mrs. M. G. McWilliams; Hamilton, G. Russell Brown.

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DR. KNIGHT CHALLENGES RIGHT OF CRITTENTON HOME TO \$15,000

Money Designed to Furnish Quarters for Diseased Women. Original Plan Has Failed and Home Gives No Assistance to Government—Insists Soldiers Will Be Barred From City After August 15 Unless Women Are Provided For.

The question has been brought up now in connection with the Crittenton home problem, as to why the home should be entitled to the \$15,000 that was originally appropriated by the city and county for the purpose of erecting a place to send diseased women during war times. Dr. C. P. Knight, of the United States public health service, states that the Rotary club and the city and county officials appropriated \$5,000 each last February, thinking at the time that the money was to be used for a stockade for diseased women. He says that the money was given by the Rotary club after Gen. Erwin, then commanding officer at Fort Oglethorpe, appeared before the organization at the Hotel Patten, and asked their support in building a stockade for diseased women.

At that time, Dr. Knight states, Gen. Erwin together with a committee of prominent business men went out and looked at a number of places in view of selecting one suitable for erection a place to keep these women. He said after several weeks the question dropped, and the next thing he heard of it, the Crittenton home had the \$15,000 appropriation and that the government had never derived any real material benefit out of the home. While it seems that this appropriation went to the Crittenton home the funds that were appropriated by the city and county have not been actually paid yet; however, the Rotary club has turned over the entire \$5,000, it is understood they promised Gen. Erwin, to the Crittenton home.

Dr. Knight states that the work that is being done at the Crittenton home today is a good work, but that the holding of the diseased women until they are treated is much more important in time of war.

The federal official says further in speaking of the matter of erecting a

DEAF MUTES CANNOT MAKE FLYERS; FALSE RUMORS EXPLODED BY TEST

Sense of Direction and Balance Does Not Match That of Normal Man—Government Investigating to Discover Who Started These Stories.

An announcement which will dash the hopes of hundreds of young men who had hoped to serve their country despite the handicap of deafness, has been issued by the aeronautics division of the war department. It has been definitely announced that applications of deaf mutes for service in the aviation corps will not be accepted, and that directions have been issued to so inform the hundreds of young men who have been encouraged to seek enlistment.

In the announcement of the war department comment is made on the erroneous and deliberately circulated idea that since deaf mutes possessed little, if any, sensitivity of the inner ear, they would be little affected by dizziness, and would make good flyers. The reports had been so persistent that several investigations were started three weeks ago; one to determine the source of this misleading information and the other to make special tests of the accuracy of deaf mutes in sensing motion. The first investigation has not yet been completed, but it is believed that the re-

from the deepest left banks, or notice the difference between climbing and diving vertically. After the tests several of the mutes admitted that they were virtually lost in space during the flight. It is officially stated that it would be unsafe to allow deaf mutes to attempt to fly, and it is hoped that the results of these investigations will put an end to the many false rumors which have been circulated concerning their flying ability.

AMONG THE BRETHREN.

Peritently remarks the Knoxville Journal and Tribune: "If Henry Waterson should write a volume or two of reminiscences, the prediction is they would be in the list of best sellers."

Even empty heads are thought to be affected as here indicated by the Copper City Advance: "Nothing swells a man's head so much as to have a pretty girl ask him for information."

The weather over there is anything like the sort we are having, we are willing for the Kaiser to have all the place in the sun he wants," remarks the Nashville Banner. Might help some to put him in such a place and keep him there.

The Rockwood Times does not profess to be a prophet, but it recognizes the signs of the seasons thusly: "The Times does not know what the future may bring about, but it seems reasonably certain that the Second district will witness an old-time knock-down and drag-out congressional race this fall."

The turning of the tide causes the Greenville Democrat to give expression, in this extract, to a hope in which many now participate: "The continued advance of our troops on the western battle front is encouraging, and makes us feel that the prediction that the war will be over by Christmas may become a reality."

The Bristol Herald-Courier doesn't stop to explain, in the following, why the cyclone so soon discovered that it had no further use for the man in the case: "It is stated that a Louisiana man was picked up and carried a quarter of a mile by a cyclone and escaped with a few scratches. And he may have had the scratches before the cyclone struck."

The Tullahoma Guardian herein intimates that he who runs the show defeated may, if he is philosophic, live to run again some time: "The primary and regular election passed off without the least friction at Tullahoma. The successful candidates for county offices were all men of course, and the defeated ones took their medicine without a grimace. A good loser is the best evidence of a dead game sport."

With charity for all and with malice toward none, the Brownsville States-Graphic made its fight, according to the following, and is now ready to forgive and forget: "Our state elections are over. The battle has been won and lost. Now let politics be adjourned. Stand by the nominees and forget all differences. Any man who harbors feeling against his neighbor after a political fight is deserving of pity and should be kept out of politics altogether."

The Red Cross method, here indicated by the Memphis News-Scimitar, is similar to that once used by this country when, as a means of disarmament, each struggling Cuban was paid a price on surrendering his gun. "American shrewdness is again demonstrating itself. The Red Cross is 'cleaning up' with the Rumanians. It has an arrangement whereby a Rumanian is given a gun, a horse, a bath, in other words, if the Rumanian bathes he eats."

Herein the Murfreesboro News-Banner gives its well-done to the primary winners. Taken regularly for a few weeks, please to place at its masthead today the names of Hon. John K. Shields, Hon. Edwin L. Davis and Hon. A. H. Roberts as the democratic nominees for U. S. senator, congress and governor, respectively. That these able and worthy gentlemen, upon whom many honors of trust and responsibility have been placed, gave a service satisfactory and adequate is simply stated by the added honors bestowed in the August election."

A Dead Stomach

Of What Use Is It?

Thousands? yes hundreds of thousands of people throughout America are taking the slow death treatment daily. They are murdering their own stomach, the best friend they have, and in their sublime ignorance they think they are putting aside the laws of nature.

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